

# 6U Tournament Rules

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## Game Time

- ~ 1 hr. 15 min. drop dead or will conclude at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning which ever comes first. 4 run cap per inning. Ties will stand in pool play.
- ~ Championship game will play 5 innings (no time limit) with a 4 run cap per inning.
- ~ A coin flip before the game determines home and visitor. Score will be kept by the home team.

## General Rules

- ~ Coach pitching distance is 30 feet from home plate.
- ~ Teams can only warm-up in the outfield and hitting into fences is not allowed.
- ~ The first team listed on the schedule will take the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side. Top team listed on the bracket play will take 3<sup>rd</sup> base side.

## Offensive Rules

- ~ Round robin batting order must be used in the 6U division. There will be no 9<sup>th</sup> batter rule.
- ~ Each batter receives 3 pitches (or forth if foul ball, etc.) from a coach and then three swings off the tee.
- ~ There will be a 15-foot arc in front of home plate extending from the first base line to third base line. A hit ball that does not pass this line is considered a foul ball.
- ~ Bases will be 60 feet apart and the center of the pitching area will be 30 feet from home plate. A chalk circle will be drawn around the center of the pitching area and will be called the pitcher's circle.
- ~ Base runners cannot leave their base until after the ball is hit and can only advance to home on a hit.
- ~ For any ball hit, base runners are stopped when the ball is returned to the pitcher's circle. If they have already passed the halfway line to the next base, then they can advance to that base.
- ~ Umpire will determine if an overthrown ball has gone out of play at which point if a runner has already passed the halfway line to the next base, then they can advance to that base.

## Defensive Rules

- ~ No more than 10 players will be allowed on the field at one time.
- ~ With 10 players field there will be 4 outfielders.
- ~ All outfielders must be standing on the outfield grass at the beginning of each play.
- ~ Infield fly rule will not be in effect in 6U.
- ~ Two coaches are allowed in the outfield when their team takes the field.